

Uganda

INVESTMENT SUMMARY



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Overview: Current country program established in 1992. Focus is on agricultural grower and producer cooperatives in marginalized areas, as well as Feed the Future sector alignment. USADF currently manages a portfolio of **21 projects**. Total commitment is **\$3.6 million**.



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Rukungiri Dairy Milk Processing Project 2579-UGA	2012-2015	\$245,877	Agriculture (Dairy): Rukungiri Dairy Farmers Cooperative Union Ltd. is a registered union of six farmer cooperatives in the Rukungiri District with a total of 385 smallholder dairy farmer members supplying milk. USADF funds are used to streamline production, storage and sale of dairy products to wholesale purchasers in Uganda.
Nile Highland Arabica Coffee Farmers Association (NIHACOFA) 2615-UGA	2012-2015	\$240,939	Agriculture (Coffee): NIHACOFA is a registered association located in Zombo District, West Nile Region. NIHACOFA is owned by 3,931 active members (2,927 men and 1,004 women) who grow high quality, naturally grown, hand-picked coffee. The central focus of NIHACOFA's operations is offering sustainable financial and capacity building services to its coffee farmer members, and other community members.
Muhorro Area Cooperative Enterprise Limited (MACE) Rice and Maize Expansion Project 2616-UGA	2012-2015	\$237,775	Agriculture (Rice and Maize): Muhorro Area Cooperative Enterprise Limited (MACE) is an organization that assists farmers to grow and market maize and rice in Kagadi. USADF funds are used to improve the quality of milled rice and maize by farmers thus allowing farmers to focus on new marketing strategies.
Hope Development Initiative (HDI) Cooperative Society 2650-UGA	2012-2015	\$239,419	Agriculture (Rice): HDI is a rice growing cooperative organization which works with marginalized female head of households, widows and abandoned young mothers who previously lived in Internally Displaced Camps (IDPs). HDI currently has 220 members in 11 sub-counties of Amolatar.
Food Security and Livelihoods Improvement Project (FSLIP) 2693-UGA	2012-2015	\$231,687	Agriculture (Maize, Sorghum, Rice, and Sunflower): Agago Farmers' Cooperative Society Limited (ACOS) is an organization that assists farmers to grow and market maize, sorghum, rice, and sunflower in Agago. USADF funds help improve storage facilities, processing equipment, ability to transport raw materials and final products, and advertising capacity so the group can capitalize on the high demand for maize, sorghum, rice and sunflower seeds.
Buhoma Rest Camp Project 2808-UGA	2013-2016	\$241,170	Eco-tourism: The group's purpose is to improve the livelihoods of its members through the establishment of a small community-based rest camp. The project allows BCRC to build three additional higher end cottages so the members' can take advantage of the tourism market present in the area as a result of its location near the Bwindi National Park and the famed gorilla tracking.
Can Daga Alera Farmers Support Project 2828-UGA	2013-2014	\$74,140	Agriculture (Sunflowers, Maize): Can Daga is a farmers cooperative focused on increasing the production and the bulking maize and sunflowers. USADF funds are used to upgrade the financial systems of the group, purchase a milling machine, and provide technical training to farmer members.
East African Premier Investments Limited (EAPIL) 2879-UGA	2013-2016	\$246,736	Microfinance: EAPIL is an organization that provides investment capital to small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and farmer-owned organizations so as to foster their growth and ensure their business sustainability. The goal of the Project is to improve the standard of living of small and medium entrepreneurs and small farmers by increasing their access to investment capital.

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Rugendabara Maize Milling and Marketing Project 2887-UGA	2013-2016	\$221,000	Agriculture (Maize): Rugendabara Cooperative Farmers Society (RCFS) is an organization that assists farmers to grow and market maize in the Kasese District in Western Uganda. RCFS was legally established as a cooperative on January 27th, 1967. USADF funds will be used to build a warehouse and help the cooperative bulk and collectively sell member-grown maize. By improving the group's capacity to manage and finance these larger operations, farmers will receive greater funds than selling on their own to local purchasers.
Mer Ber Rice Production Expansion Project 2929-UGA	2013-2016	\$210,085	Agriculture (Rice): Mer Ber "A" Cooperative Society LTD (MBC) was originally formed in 2005 as a farmers' group, and was registered in April 2011 as a cooperative society. The coop is based in Nebbi district, West Nile region. The coop is involved in the production, bulking and marketing of rice and maize. The project is intended to improve the society's rice supply and value chain activities to improve product quality and increase volumes produced. USADF funds will allow the group to purchase a tractor, rice from farmer members, equipment to improve quality of milled rice, farm inputs, as well as construct a 400 ton storage facility and provide technical assistance to improving the production activities of small holder farmers.
Ibanda Growers Cooperative Society Ltd (IGCS) Capacity Building Project 2980-UGA	2014-2016	\$92,608	Agriculture (Coffee): Ibanda Growers Cooperative Society (IGCS) is a primary cooperative under the Nyakatonzi Cooperative Union based in Kasese District. IGCS was established in 1975 as a farmer group by mainly farmers growing coffee in the Rwenzori Mountain ranges. IGCS provides technical support to smallholder coffee farmers for producing and marketing coffee. IGCS would like to take advantage of increasing domestic and international demand for specialty coffee.
Wadelai Produce Marketing Cooperative Society LTD (WASMPA) 2995-UGA	2014-2017	\$154,922	Agriculture (Rice & Maize): Wadelai Produce Marketing Co-operative Society LTD (WPMCS) is a registered cooperative society located in Nebbi District in West Nile Region that aims to increase members' incomes through improved agricultural production of sesame, maize, and rice and collective bulking and marketing of their products.
Kweyo Growers Cooperative Society Limited (KGCS) 3012-UGA	2014-2016	\$94,972	Agriculture (Maize): Kweyo Growers Society Limited was established in 1968 to promote sustainable farming for smallholder farmers. The mostly female member base grows maize, beans and groundnuts as main cash crops.
Kamushoko Mixed Farmers Group (KMFG) 3017-UGA	2014-2016	\$94,430	Agriculture (Millet & Bananas): KMFG is a farmer-based registered company limited by guarantee located in the Mbarara District of Western Uganda. KMFG was established in 2008 to promote socioeconomic development within the community through increased production of staple foods. The mostly female member base grows millet, maize, soybeans, bananas, and groundnuts as their main cash crops.
Bukonzo Organic Coffee Farmers Union Limited (BOCU) 3019-UGA	2014-2017	\$246,596	Agriculture (Coffee): Bukonzo Organic Coffee Farmers Union Limited (BOCU) is a registered farmers' cooperative union based in Kasese Town, Kasese District, in western Uganda. The Union was founded in 2009 when seven primary societies came together to address low coffee production, poor coffee quality and low coffee prices. Currently, the 7 primary cooperatives of BOCU have a total farmer membership of 1,500 of whom 827 are women.
Rubanga Cooperative Society Limited (RCS) 3031-UGA	2014-2017	\$248,733	Agriculture (Coffee): Rubanga Co-operative Society Limited (RCS) is a registered farmers' cooperative based in Mitooma District, Western Uganda. The Cooperative was founded in 1986 by 16 individuals who had an objective of increasing the incomes of smallholder farmers. The organization was legally registered on July 10, 1986. The organization has since grown to 9,220 members, of which 4,510 are female and 4,710 are male. The members are organized in 300 groups, with an average of 30 members each.
Eyekaliriza Businzigo Growers Cooperative Society (EBCS) 3042-UGA	2014-2016	\$95,322	Agriculture (Coffee): Eyekaliriza Businzigo Growers Cooperative Society Limited (EBCS) is located in Mityana, Central Uganda. The Cooperative was established in 1968 to promote sustainable farming for smallholder farmers. The Cooperative currently has 255 members, 65 females and 190 males. The members grow maize, beans, potatoes, and bananas, but their main source of income comes from Robusta specialty coffee.

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Buhimba Cooperative Savings & Credit Society 3078-UGA	2014-2017	\$225,581	Agriculture (Maize): Buhimba Cooperative Savings and Credit Society Limited is located in Buhimba Sub County, Hoima District, Western Uganda. The Group started in 2006 as a savings and credit society where farmers could save their money and access loans to pay school fees and purchase farm inputs. The focus of Buhimba's project is to offer farm inputs, provide agronomic trainings, tractor services and hulling services to farmer members.
Aluga Cooperative Society Limited (ALCOS) 3144-UGA	2014-2016	\$95,371	Agriculture (Maize): ALCOS was established in 2009 to promote sustainable farming for smallholder farmers who were affected by the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) war. The group became legally registered as a cooperative in 2013 and now has a membership of 145, of which 74 are women and 71 are men. The Cooperative grows maize, sesame, and rice as its main cash crops. Members of the Cooperative also grow cotton as a way of diversifying their revenue sources.
Gulu Community Dairy Farmers Cooperative Society Limited (GCDFCS) 3168-UGA	2014-2016	\$249,660	Agriculture (Dairy): Gulu Community Dairy Farmers Cooperative Society is a cooperative society with 197 members. USADF funds will increase the Cooperative's and farmers' profitability from the sale of value added dairy products. The Cooperative will aggressively implement marketing activities that will position its products on local and, regional markets, improve its services, and contribute to achieving food security in one of the most vulnerable areas in the country.
Amatura Produce Marketing Cooperative Society Ltd (APMCSL) 3223-UGA	2014-2016	\$94,909	Agriculture (Maize): APMCSL is a registered cooperative society based in the Moyo District of Northern Uganda. APMCSL was established in 1999 to fight poverty through increased agricultural production. The mostly female member base grows maize and cassava as their main cash crops. Members of the Cooperative also grow vegetables and fruits as a way of diversifying their food sources.

